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SUBJECT: UNSSOD PREPCOM V PLENARY MEETING APRIL 19

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1. AT WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON MEETING OF PREPCOM, RAPPORTEUR PRESENTED DRAFT OF FINAL REPORT AND REQUESTED THAT IT BE EXAMINED BY DELEGATIONS AND DISCUSSED AND ADOPTED IN FINAL TWO DAYS REMAINING THIS SESSION. RAPPORTEUR ALSO REPORTED THAT NEGOTIATIONS HAD BEEN COMPLETED ON ALL SECTIONS OF DRAFT FINAL DOCUMENT OF SSOD AND THAT SECRETARIAT WOULD REPRODUCE IT AND HAVE IT READY FOR CONSIDERATION ON FRIDAY MORNING. DOCUMENT STILL CONTAINS NUMEROUS BRACKETS.

2. CHAIRMAN RECOMMENDED THAT SSOD ITSELF SHOULD DECIDE ON NUMBER OF SUBSIDIARY WORKING GROUPS IT WISHES TO SET UP TO COMPLETE WORK ON FINAL DOCUMENT. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT IN HIS OPINION TWO SUCH WORKING GROUPS WOULD PROBABLY BE APPROPRIATE TO WORK, RESPECTIVELY, ON (1)
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PROGRAM OF ACTION, AND (2) MACHINERY FOR NEGOTIATIONS. HE INDICATED HIS VIEW THAT ENOUGH PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE ON DECLARATION TO AVOID A SEPARATE WORKING GROUP ON THAT PART OF FINAL DOCUMENT.

3. COMMITTEE DECIDED TO RECOMMEND THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE SSOD BEGIN ITS WORK ON THE FINAL DOCUMENT

ON JUNE 1 AND SET JUNE 26 AS DEADLINE FOR AGREEMENT. GENERAL DEBATE WILL BE IN PROGRESS UNTIL JUNE 9. IT WAS FURTHER DECIDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WILL NOT MEET DURING TIMES WHEN HEADS OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT ARE ADDRESSING THE SSOD.

4. CHAIRMAN THEN TURNED TO QUESTION OF NGO PARTICIPATION IN SSOD. REFERRING TO A TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM THE NGO COORDINATING ORGANIZATION WHICH SUGGESTED LIST OF NGO SPEAKERS (TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL), CHAIRMAN SUMMARIZED BUREAU RECOMMENDATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) 12 MINUTES WOULD BE ASSIGNED EACH SPEAKER, ALLOWING TIME FOR 25 SPEAKERS IN TWO TWO AND ONE HALF HOUR MEETINGS OF COMMITTEE OF WHOLE, MONDAY, JUNE 12, WHICH IS FIRST WORKING DAY FOLLOWING GENERAL DEBATE.

(B) LIST OF NGO'S SUBMITTED BY COORDINATING ORGANIZATION IS NOT COMPLETE AND SHOULD BE SUPPLEMENTED BY NGO'S FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND FROM JAPAN, INCLUDING CITIZENS OF HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI.

(C) NGO ORGANIZATION SHOULD GIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO ALLOWING STATEMENTS BY THE STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE (SIPRI) AND OTHER RESEARCH BODIES.
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AFTER GENERALLY FAVORABLE DEBATE, INCLUDING SEVERAL COMMENTS FROM LDC'S THAT CURRENT LIST OF NGO'S IS NOT "BALANCED," AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TO SUBMIT BUREAU RECOMMENDATIONS TO SSOD.

5. NIGERIAN REP, SUPPORTED BY FRANCE AND OTHERS, RECOMMENDED THAT DIRECTOR GENERAL OF UNESCO BE INVITED TO SPEAK TO SSOD TO OUTLINE HIS ORGANIZATION'S PROGRAM ON "EDUCATION FOR DISARMAMENT". COMMITTEE DECIDED TO POSTPONE DECISION ON THIS TOPIC AFTER SEVERAL DELS ASKED THAT OTHER PERTINENT SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE IAEA SHOULD BE INFORMED AND GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST TIME TO MAKE STATEMENTS ON THEIR OWN ACTIVITIES IN DISARMAMENT FIELD.

6. AS NOTED SEPTTEL, CHAIR REPORTED REQUESTS FROM SWITZERLAND AND HOLY SEE TO ADDRESS SSOD, NOTING THAT, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE NOT UN MEMBERS, SWITZERLAND HOSTS CCD, AND HOLY SEE WOULD SPEAK WITH "MORAL AUTHORITY". ON BASIS INSTRUCTIONS REFTTEL, PARA 3, USREP REQUESTED DECISION BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MEETING. NUMBER OF

OTHER DELS STRONGLY SUPPORTED SWISS AND HOLY SEE REQUESTS. PROPOSED US STATEMENT, TRANSMITTED SEPTEL, ARGUES THAT IF NON-MEMBERS ARE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IT SHOULD BE IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND NOT IN GENERAL DEBATE. CHAIRMAN LATER APPROACHED USDEL AND INDICATED THAT HIS PURPOSE WAS TO GET QUICK AGREEMENT AND THAT US REQUEST FOR DELAY WAS LIKELY TO GIVE OTHER DELS TIME TO REFLECT ON REASONS FOR US OBJECTIONS AND COULD GIVE RISE TO REQUESTS THAT OTHER, NON-STATE

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ORGANIZATIONS BE GIVEN CHANCE TO SPEAK. IT WAS COMMITTEE PRACTICE, HE SAID, TO REACH AGREEMENT ON CONCRETE CASES PUT BEFORE IT, AND HE DID NOT BELIEVE ALLOWING STATES NON-MEMBERS TO SPEAK WOULD SET UNFAVORABLE PRECEDENT FOR OTHER OBSERVER ORGANIZATIONS TO SPEAK.

7. AFTER SHORT BREAK, COMMITTEE RECONVENED IN INFORMAL SESSION TO CONSIDER DRAFT "INTRODUCTION" TO FINAL DOCUMENT PROPOSED BY CHAIRMAN. TEXT TRANSMITTED IO (MACUK) AND ACDA (FLOWEREE). SEVERAL DELS, INCLUDING INDIA, FRANCE, PAKISTAN, BENIN, ROMANIA, MEXICO, TUNISIA, ITALY, SRI LANKA AND IRAQ SUPPORTED CHAIRMAN'S DRAFT. USREP INDICATED, HOWEVER, THAT THERE IS MUCH IN DRAFT WHICH DUPLICATES DRAFT DECLARATION ON DISARMAMENT AND SAID HIS DEL COULD NOT AGREE WITH CERTAIN PHRASES IN TEXT (E.G., "NO EFFECTIVE MEASURES RELATING TO THE CESSATION OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE AT AN EARLY DATE AND TO NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT HAVE MATERI-

ALIZED.") USSR DEL ALSO NOTED THAT DRAFT NEEDED
"CAREFUL STUDY." CHAIR THEN INVITED REPS
WHO HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE LANGUAGE TO SUGGEST ALTERNA-
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